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CPR Education Bill Receives Public Hearing in Senate Committee

Madison, WI...Today, Senate Bill 412, authored by Senator Jerry Petrowski (*R-Marathon*) and Representative John Spiros (*R-Marshfield*), received a public hearing in the Senate Committee on Education.

“It was an honor to testify on this bill today in front of my colleagues on the Education Committee,” said Senator Petrowski. “This is a great piece of legislation that will ensure that as many youths as possible are receiving lifesaving, hands-on CPR training,” said Petrowski.

Senate Bill 412 requires schools to ensure that instruction in CPR and external defibrillators is provided to students in any health course offered to pupils during grades 7-12. The training can be completed in roughly 30 minutes and does not require schools to implement any new health education courses that they are not already providing. Similar legislation has already been passed in 27 other states.

“We would like to thank Senator Petrowski for his leadership on this issue,” said Nicole Hudzinski, Government Relations Director with the American Heart Association. “Immediate CPR from a bystander can double or even triple chances of survival.”

Senate Bill 412 now awaits executive action by the Senate Committee on Education.